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C O N F I D E N T I A L OUAGADOUGOU 1224

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SUBJ: ENTENTE SUMMIT

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1. THE ENTENTE SUMMIT (MINUS BENIN) WHICH WAS EXPECTED TO LAST TWO DAYS ACTUALLY LASTED ONLY HALF A DAY. BY 10 A.M. MARCH 31 ALL THE VISITING CHIEFS OF STATE HAD LEFT OUAGADOUGOU. THERE WAS LITTLE SUBSTANCE IN FINAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED MORNING MARCH 31 (REFTEL) AND THE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY IS STILL WONDERING WHAT THE MEETING WAS ALL ABOUT.

2. IF NOTHING ELSE, MEETING HAS APPARENTLY GIVEN IVORY COAST PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY A CHANCE TO RENEW CONTACTS WITH HIS FORMER COLLEAGUES OF UDV-RDA. ACCORDING TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR, HOUPHOUET HAS NOT VISITED UPPER VOLTA FOR MORE THAN SIX YEARS AND
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LAST VISIT WAS MARRED BY STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS PROMPTED BY IVOIRIAN DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH AFRICA. ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION GIVEN THIS TIME TO HOUPHOUET AT AIRPORT BY RDA-DOMINATED VOLTAN GOVERNMENT AND BY POPULATION OF OUAGADOUGOU. SHOULD MAKE UP FOR PREVIOUS FIASCO. RUMORS HAVE IT THAT HOUPHOUET CONFERRED WITH HIS OLD FRIEND EX-PRESIDENT MAURICE YAMEOGO, WITH FORMER

ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT JOSEPH OUEDRAOGO AND WITH FORMER PRIME MINISTER GERARD KONGO OUEDRAOGO. ONE OF OUR SOURCES CLAIMS THAT REAL PURPOSE OF HOUPHOUET'S VISIT WAS TO GET ALL THE RDA POLITICIANS, WHO HAVE BEEN FIGHTING EACH OTHER FOR YEARS, TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THE FORTHCOMING LEGISLATIVE AND PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. ANOTHER SOURCE CLAIMS THAT HOUPHOUET TRIED TO CONVINCE PRESIDENT LAMIZANA TO RESTORE MAURICE YAMEOGO'S CIVIL RIGHTS SO THAT HE CAN BE A CANDIDATE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.
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